

Title : Identification and Resources for Victims of Sex Trafficking



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Project Summary	Apply your knowledge and interest in data collection to the world of criminal justice. In so doing, you will assist with a corrections-specific project examining the illegal trafficking of women.
Country	United States
Country/Region of Focus	United States

Project Description

During this internship, in collaboration with NIC, you will contact state correctional agencies to determine their knowledge of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA). You will then be given an interview script and a spreadsheet into which to record your findings. Each element will then be scored and analyzed before being shared in a written report.

An intern with professional experience, knowledge, or interest in sociology and psychology, marginalized populations, gender-informed practices in the management of women offenders, victimization, and trauma is desired. Students at the Graduate to Post-Doc level are preferred.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Data analysis

Survey / polling design

Writing

Additional Information

This is an opportunity to support the efforts to change the lives of women who are marginalized.

The Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act (VTVPA) made trafficking in persons a federal crime. The federal and state definition of sex trafficking is the recruitment and obtaining ...of an individual by force, fraud or coercion for the purposes of a commercial sex act. Based on the definition it is clear that a significant number of women entering the criminal justice system are unidentified and unknowing victims of a crime. In addition, many "traffickers" continue to remain in contact with and recruit new victims during incarceration. In order to intervene in the lives of these women, the process must begin with identification and accompanying support services. This internship supports the Correctional Anti-Human Trafficking Initiative (CAHTI) (see <https://nicic.gov/correctional-anti-human-trafficking-initiative>) of the National Institute of Corrections (NIC).

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Language Requirements

None